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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant requests a **one-month extension** of the reply period, up to and including **February 1, 2005**, in the above-noted patent application. The fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(a) is enclosed. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fee(s) that may be due in this matter, and please credit the same deposit account for any overpayment.

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